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# TRIBUTES TO BOXER

By Oliver Evans

**TRIBUTES have been paid to a volunteer boxing coach who died aged 37.**

Friends and family of Phillip Panadher, a father-of-three, said he believed in the sport's power to inspire younger people.

The Kenilworth Way, Bretch Hill, resident was found dead at a house in nearby Harlech Close on Thursday, May 17.

No cause of death has been given as yet and an inquest was opened and adjourned on May 22.

A spokesman for Thames Valley Police said they were not treating the death as suspicious and were not looking for anyone in connection with it.

The lorry driver was a regular sight at the town's Spit 'n' Sawdust gym where he shared his lifelong love of boxing with young people.

His boxing gloves and shirt will be placed on his coffin at his funeral service next week, which up to 400 mourners are expected to attend.

The former Queensway School and

Banbury School pupil had moved to London and Swindon but returned home in October.

His mother said he struggled as a child with dyslexia and channelled his energy into boxing.

He was mentored and coached by Ken Reynolds at The Willy Freund Centre in Dover Avenue.

Such was his devotion to the sport, Davinda Panadher, 63, said her son insisted his temping agency did not get him work on Tuesdays or Thursdays, when he was at the gym.

She said of his recent volunteer work: "He wanted to help others. He would say 'come on kids, work a bit harder'."

"He was such a soft-hearted lad. He would help anybody. That was the way he was."

She said she wanted to start a fund to support a youngster through boxing training at the North Bar Street gym.

Owner Dave Earle, a member of Banbury Town Council, said: "Phil had a massive influence on the children and had a certain uncomplicated way of getting them to train."

He said: "People these days seem to tip-

toe around children so as not to offend them, whereas Phil was to the point.

"It wasn't that he was strict, he just would laugh at their excuses for not putting the effort in and tell them in the simplest of ways why it was important to train hard."

He said: "Phil was starting to influence the lives of others in a positive way, letting them know that if they worked hard they would be successful."

And family friend and neighbour June Wright, 63, also paid tribute to Mr Panadher.

She said: "He was very good with youngsters. Phillip was a very lovely boy. His world revolved around his children and his work. When he wasn't working, he was with the children, boxing."

"He was always trying, always striving to do more in life and make his life better."

A service will be held on Wednesday, June 6, at Banbury Crematorium. All are welcome.



**LEFT: Phillip Panadher with his hero, boxer David Haye**

**RIGHT: Gym owner Dave Earle**



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### Park plan is approved

■ **CHERWELL** District Council has approved plans for a new 27-hectare country park on land near Wildmere Industrial Estate. It will link up with Grimsbury nature reserve and reservoir and Spiceball Park.

### Gender error

■ ON Page 3 of the *Banbury Cake* on May 24 we including a story "new leader for Labour". Banbury councillor Pat Cartledge has been elected as the Labour group leader on Cherwell District Council. The story was edited for length and in doing that we then referred to Mr Cartledge as she rather than he. We apologise for the error.

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# School mourns for an 'inspirational' teacher

By Laura Jones

**PUPILS and staff at a north Oxfordshire school are mourning a "one-off" teacher who was killed in a car crash as she drove to a birthday party.**

Julie Stodart-Cook, a business teacher and senior house parent at Kingham Hill School, near

Chipping Norton, died on Saturday, following a crash at Alderton Garage, on the B4077 near Winchcombe, in Gloucestershire. Headmaster Nick Seward said Mrs Stodart-Cook, who lived at the school, was known to friends and colleagues as "Stoddie".

He said: "The community is devastated. Stoddie was a one-off, and a vibrant example to girls and boys at Kingham Hill

across a huge range of academic and extra-curricular disciplines.

"She will be irreplaceable, and the school is offering every support to pupils affected by her loss, and will continue to do so.

"Our deepest condolences go to her husband, Richard, and family. "They will be very much in our prayers in the coming weeks."

A statement issued by the school added: "Only last week she had received a spontaneous ovation in chapel for an inspiring talk she gave to the pupils about achievement and achieving life goals.

"She had single-handedly won the school centre of excellence status for its Young Enterprise programme, helped to coach senior rugby, and was a popular business teacher.

"Above all, though, she was a fabulous mother to her girls in Severn House, offering firm but loving care, and receiving back many alumni at the recent 20th anniversary celebrations of girls at Kingham Hill School."

The statement added Mrs Stodart-Cook was going to a birthday party when she died.

The 43-year-old's car, a yellow Vauxhall Corsa, careered off the road and hit cars on the petrol station forecourt at about noon on Saturday.

Mrs Stodart-Cook was declared dead at the scene.

A Gloucestershire police spokesman said that a 15-year-old boy, who worked at the garage, was airlifted to Frenchay Hospital in Bristol with potentially life-threatening injuries, but was now

expected to make a full recovery.

A woman in her 20s, thought to have been sitting in a car on the forecourt at the time, has been discharged from Gloucestershire Royal Hospital after treatment for injuries suffered in the incident.

Mrs Stodart-Cook had worked at Kingham Hill for 16 years and earlier this month helped to organise the reunion to welcome old girls back to the school to mark 20 years since the first female pupils were admitted.

Former pupils, friends and parents have left tributes online to the popular teacher.

One said: "Stoddie, you were

our beautiful friend and this is a tragic loss.

"We will miss your energy, fun and love."

Another wrote: "An inspiring, energetic young lady, a woman who a lot of girls in KHS look up to."

A parent wrote: "God has taken one special lady. You were a great teacher, house parent and support to our children when they were at boarding school.

"I personally am grateful for the support and encouragement you gave our daughter in her teenage years - she needed a mother 24/7 and you certainly did that when I was not near."



Julie Stodart-Cook, pictured at Kingham Hill School's Severn House boarding house last month

## Car ploughs into front of village hotel

A DRIVER was taken to hospital after his car crashed through the main window of a hotel in Deddington.

The accident happened just before 9.30am on Saturday at the Deddington Arms Hotel in Horse Fair.

The driver was released from his car by the fire service and taken by ambulance to the Horton General Hospital, Banbury, with minor injuries.

John Anderson, managing director of Oxfordshire Hotels, which owns the venue, said: "The deputy manager heard a bang and ran across the see what happened and, first and foremost, to make sure the guest in question was OK."

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■ Oxfordshire charity group also in search for volunteers

# Team that helps track down missing people

By Laura Jones

**A CHARITY that supplies a band of volunteers to help police to find lost and missing people is seeking new members.**

The Oxfordshire Lowlands Search and Rescue group is called on by the emergency services when someone is reported lost.

The group's 30 volunteers give up their time for free to search areas of Oxfordshire for vulnerable, elderly, confused or mentally-ill people who are considered high risk by the police.

Chairman of the group Steve Butcher is an electrician in his day job but also acts as a search co-ordinator volunteer.

He said: "It's all about helping people and looking out for your community."

"We get a call from Thames Valley Police when a

vulnerable person goes missing and the members mobilise to start a search.

"We'll be given a rendezvous point and a description of the person and then we'll set about searching the area."

"It's nice to give something back."

"If it was my nan I would like to know that somebody was out there doing something."

"It's not a hobby, it actually means something to be part of it and it brings a real joy to some people. Sometimes, we also bring back the worst possible answer. But at least it's an answer."

"At the end of the search, one family came out and said 'thank you for finding her'."

Between 40 and 50 people, plus dogs, take part in an average search. "Oxsar" has been called out 20 times over the past six months, often working in co-operation with

other teams in neighbouring counties. Vice-chairman Jennie Webster said: "We only get called for the critical cases. A lot of the people we search for are elderly and have dementia."

"We're completely publicly funded and rely on donations."

"We want to make sure our members get the best training, so when someone we love goes missing you know we have the best chance of finding them."

"We're also always on the lookout for volunteers."

Karen Edwards has a personal reason for volunteering.

She said: "My mother has bi-polar and she actually once disappeared and got on a train to Birmingham."

"It's often people like her we are looking for."

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Peter Wylie points the direction for the search area during a training exercise

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# Service to link up and form new music hub

THE county's music education service is set to team up with other local organisations to make sure every child has the chance to sing or play a musical instrument.

Oxfordshire County Music Service will become a new music education hub.

It means the service will now be linking up with professional music organisations, higher and further education institutions and other Council-funded organisations to ensure there is joined-up music education provision across Oxfordshire.

Culture minister and Oxfordshire MP Ed Vaizey said: "These hubs will mean young people around the country can access high-quality music teaching, itself

an important and fulfilling part of learning. Playing an instrument can enrich students' lives and perhaps even lead to a career in teaching or performing."

The 122 new hubs across the country were selected following an application process to the Arts Council and they are expected to be able to deliver their new services from September.

According to the Arts Council, Oxfordshire County Music Service was able to demonstrate a "robust leadership model" and an "excellent" track record for delivering music education. It will now get a slice of the £50m extra funding set aside by the Department for Education for music education hubs.

## Council signs a profit-making contract

# £1.5m hope in recycling deal

By Oliver Evans

HOUSEHOLD waste is set to net North Oxfordshire taxpayers £1.5m thanks to the boom in recycling prices, council bosses say.

Cherwell District Council has struck a six-year deal where it will get profits from waste recycled by new contractor UPM.

Under the last deal, signed in 2006, it paid a contractor £55,000 a year to dispose of recycling, and did not get cash back.

But bosses say the rise in re-sale prices for items like paper, cardboard, tins, plastics and drinks cartons means it can now get a good return.

The council hopes it will bring in profits from re-selling items and, in turn, cut the amount sent to landfill, which incurs hefty Government fines.

Depots in Helmdon and Cassington are run by UPM.

Lead member for "clean and green" Nigel Morris said: "Some recyclable materials currently have a



high resale value, meaning the new contract will reward the effort residents in the district put into recycling.

"The fact that we have been able to secure this for up to six years brings some welcome stability for the service."

The contract has been signed jointly with neighbouring South Northamptonshire Council, which

includes Middleton Cheney.

Recyclable items include paper, cardboard, plastics and glass. The council hopes it will be £450,000 better off.

Environmental services portfolio holder Dermot Bambridge said: "The higher income will help to keep costs down."

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**How to guard your car parts**

POLICE officers are inviting Banbury motorists to have their car's catalytic converter security marked.

It comes after a trading estate in the town was hit nearly once a week over the past year, with thieves taking £800,000 of goods – including £13,600 worth of catalytic converters.

Anyone concerned about having their catalytic converter stolen can go to the Just Car Clinic, on the Thorpe Industrial Estate, to have it security marked.

A unique reference number is etched on to the converter and the registered keeper of the vehicle then enters their details onto a national database.

If police then find a stolen

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Catalytic converters are devices that make up part of a vehicle's exhaust that minimises toxic chemicals in the exhaust gases.

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Thefts of the converters have risen in most parts of the county over the past year. They went up from nine to 23 in Cherwell alone.

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Police Sgt Katrina Hibbert holds a catalytic converter, which could cost up to £100 to replace

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# Arrests as police raid scrap metal dealers

By Laura Jones

**A SCRAP metal yard in Bloxham has been raided by officers as Thames Valley Police carried out 14 co-ordinated raids across the region to crack down on metal theft.**

Smiths of Bloxham, in Milton Road, was one of six yards sealed off and searched by a team of specialist officers, forensic scientists and experts from HM Revenue and Customs on Tuesday as Operation Symphony swung into action just after 10.30am.

A police spokesman confirmed that arrests had been made at the yard but at the time of going to press could not confirm any further details.

A further eight sites connected to the scrap industry in the Thames Valley, Hertfordshire and Middlesex regions were also searched by Thames Valley police officers.

Elsewhere in Oxfordshire, TR Rogers and Sons, in The Metal Yard, Nuneham Courtenay, was also raided.

Police said the operation had been months in the planning and was focused on the disposal of stolen metal.

Det Chief Supt Brendan O'Dowda said: "The operation was the culmination of an on-going investigation that has been carried out by Thames Valley Police to target not only the theft of scrap metal, but the

channels that thieves are using to dispose of the stolen metal.

"Thames Valley Police is committed to combating this, one of the fastest-growing types of crime. It is a crime that threatens public and community safety and the national infrastructure.

"The theft of high-value metal affects individuals, especially the more vulnerable in our communities, schools, churches, energy companies and transportation networks.

"Metal theft is by no means a victimless crime. The callous action of thieves can force schools and businesses to close, railway networks and energy infrastructures to literally shut down. Many communities are then left isolated, putting people's lives at risk.

"We will always pursue thieves and organised gangs who carry out this type of crime as well as the 'market for disposal'. We recognise that most dealers operate a law-abiding business. However, far too many turn a blind eye to the origin of metal that enters their yard.

"The more unscrupulous dealer actively encourages the trade of stolen metal for cash without giving any thought or consideration to what impact the theft has had on the very communities in which they live.

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# Schools chief: Recruitment problem 'will only grow' Growing concern over replacing headteachers

By Ellie Simmonds

**FIFTEEN** Oxfordshire primary schools have been without a permanent headteacher, new figures from Oxfordshire County Council show.

The number of schools without a permanent head in place is a substantial rise on the 11 there were in 2009, although it is a small number proportionately out of the county's 278 maintained schools.

The council's schools improvement cabinet member in 2009, Michael Waine, then warned that the problem of recruiting headteachers would only grow. Melinda Tilley, his successor, believes recruitment should become easier as schools teamed up in academy chains, allowing headteachers to focus on

teaching and leadership.

She said: "I can't open the bottom drawer and pull out six headteachers for interview, they're just not there."

"There are fewer and fewer people who want to take on the job because they spend so much time doing things other than what they got into teaching for."

But she was not concerned about the impact on schools that were currently without permanent leadership, saying: "Somebody always steps up to the plate."

Tony Draper, of the National Association of Headteachers, said that across the country a third of headships were unfilled when first advertised due to the "high risk" nature of the job.

He said: "It's almost become like being a football manager – one set of bad results and you're out."

"It's disastrous for a school if they don't have leaders in place because great leadership produces great schools."

"There is instability when there is an acting headteacher because they don't really know where they stand. Are they there to mark time or move the school on?"

"The staff don't know what's going on either, because it is an interim leader."

Sally Hughes, acting headteacher at Holy Trinity School, Chipping Norton, was initially appointed for two terms in January 2011 but her contract was extended until December 2013 after no suitable headteacher could be found – despite six attempts at recruitment.

She said: "The longer an acting head stays, stability increases – but there is always that uncertainty."

"Children need stability and often ask me how long I am going to stay."

In September 2005 eight schools in the county were starting the term without permanent headteachers and there were 12 the following year.

## County fire service swaps to an up-to-date uniform

IT'S out with the old and in with the new at the county's fire service.

Gone are the traditional dark blue firefighters' uniforms with bright yellow helmet and in comes a bright gold suit with black and white headgear.

From this week Oxfordshire County Council's Fire and Rescue Service has given its firemen and women a brand new kit.

The new uniform, which offers better protection,

includes a fire helmet, an anti-flashing hood, gloves, a tunic, leggings and boots.

One fire station manager said: "We are very pleased. They are nice and comfortable."

"It certainly represents the latest technology available within firefighting."

The equipment is being leased for the next eight years at a cost of £250,000 per year from Lion Apparel Systems UK. The money comes from

the fire service's existing budget for protective equipment.

Fire service spokesman Gemma Watts said: "Other contracts were explored by the service, but these could have cost in the region of £100,000 more per year."

"The new contract provides the best value for money in the current market."

Old uniforms will be recycled by an approved Government company.

The change has already been made in a number of other services, including Hampshire Fire and Rescue Service.



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■ Firm prepares to mark its 70th anniversary by teaming up in plane project

# Re-establishing a Spitfire link

By Andrew Smith

**A FAMILY engineering firm is going back to the future after linking up with a high-flying heritage project.**

Norbar Torque Tools, of Banbury, recently delivered torque wrenches to Enstone Airfield to help with the assembly of Spitfire replica aircraft.

The move is hugely symbolic as the company was founded during World War Two to supply similar tools for working on the engines of the original Spitfire.

Members of Enstone Flying Club plan to build 12 replicas of the legendary fighter planes from kits by the end of the year to form the City of Oxford Squadron.

Norbar sales and marketing director Philip Brodey, grandson of one of the company founders, said: "When we

found out about the programme we leapt at the chance to get involved and talked about what we could do.

"The company started making wrenches for the Merlin engine, which was used in the Spitfire, Hurricane and Lancaster aircraft. So donating some to the project seemed the logical thing.

"We are delighted to support this exciting project to create a piece of living aviation history."

And it was particularly fitting for Norbar – formed in 1942 as the North Bar Tool Company – to get involved as it helped add to the company's 70th anniversary celebrations.

The first Spitfire, a 90 per cent scale model of the original, has now been completed and is waiting for its modern General Motors engine, due to be installed this summer.

Each aircraft costs £210,000 and they are funded by enthusiasts who can buy a 12th or 20th part share at the cost of

£17,000 or £11,000 respectively. More than 40 people have so far invested in the first three aircraft.

Paul Fowler, of Enstone Flying Club, is leading the Spitfire project. He said: "I think it is brilliant that Norbar has agreed to sponsor us and re-establish the link with the Spitfire.

"The wrenches themselves are beautiful pieces of engineering."

Since its humble beginnings, Norbar has grown significantly and now employs 240 staff, which means it is one of the county's top 100 largest employers.

It will soon move to new premises in Wildmere Road and take on another 35 staff by the end of the year.

The company also recently expanded its international operation by opening a new office in India to add to its bases in Australia, China, New Zealand, Singapore and the United States.



Norbar's Philip Brodey tries out one of his firm's torque wrenches on the airframe of a Spitfire, watched by Paul Fowler of Enstone Flying Club

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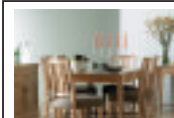
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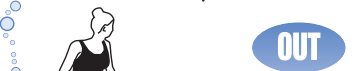
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## Chiltern alter older coaches with sliding doors

# Hi-tech update to commuter trains

By William Crossley

**LIFE got a little easier for commuters using Chiltern Railways' locomotive-powered silver Mainline trains on Monday with the launch of the first set of coaches fitted with sliding power doors, instead of old-fashioned manual 'slam' doors.**

The set is the first of four to be introduced this year as the train operator gives a new look to the Mk3 coaches used on the trains, which were designed in the early 1970s.

They will be used on Chiltern's key

express services between London, Banbury and Birmingham.

As well as fitting the power doors – to speed up station stops by removing the need for staff to close doors by hand – the vestibules of the coaches have been enlarged, with a number of toilets and luggage racks removed to create extra space for passengers.

All the remaining toilets have been fitted with storage tanks, so waste is no longer dumped on the tracks.

A prototype of the sliding door mechanism, based on a system used on South West Trains services, was put through rigorous tests over the past year designed to simulate 20 years of life in daily service.

Chiltern Railways' project engineer Dave Hogwood said: "The aim of the tests was to assess long-term wear and reliability and help us predict maintenance requirements.

"The manufacturer recommends a major inspection at 15 years but we found that the prototype showed only slight wear at the end of the 20-year cycle."

Chiltern's engineering director Kate Marjoribanks said: "This really does prove that you can deliver a first-class service using older rolling stock.

"The new power doors allow us to increase capacity and at the same time meet the future needs of our passengers."

## Honour for juniors at rugby final



TWO junior teams from Banbury RFC took part in a special Land Rover Parade of Champions at the Aviva Premiership Rugby Final on Saturday – in front of a sell-out Twickenham crowd.

The youngsters were given this unique opportunity after they won the Northampton Saints and London Irish Land

Rover Premiership Rugby Cups.

And they also got to watch the exciting battle on the pitch before Harlequins were crowned Aviva Premiership Rugby Champions.

Not only did they get to see their heroes play at the home of England Rugby but

they got to parade around the pitch at half time to celebrate their Land Rover Premiership Rugby Cup win.

Banbury junior player Alfie Barbeary said: "I can't believe I went to Twickenham Stadium and got to go on the pitch at half time of the Aviva Premiership Rugby Final.

"It was really exciting to walk out there in front of so many people. It was an amazing atmosphere"

The tournament, which began in 2008, involves over 33,000 aspiring young players who take part in Under 11 and Under 12 festivals all over the country.



## Town set for junior fun

■ PARENTS are being urged to ensure a massive children's Jubilee street party passes off without a hitch after all 1,000 tickets were snapped up. Banbury Town Council hopes the 1950s event in Market Place on Sunday will be the biggest of its kind in the UK. It has urged parents of the three- to 11-year-olds to not bring bulky items, like buggies, to make best use of the space for the 2.30pm meal.

## Busy weekend

■ A HOST of events have been lined up in Bodicote to celebrate the Jubilee. These include a flower festival at St John the Baptist Church from tomorrow until Tuesday, from 10.30am to 4.30pm. A barn dance will be held in Whitepost Road on Saturday from 11pm and a 1950s memorabilia show in the village hall on Sunday, from 11am to 4pm. A fun run will be held that day at 11.15am, while a family quiz will be held in Kingsfield at 7pm on Monday. A beacon will be lit at Kingsfield at 10pm on Bank Holiday Monday as part of a UK-wide event to honour Her Majesty. For information of all events call John Rowland on 01295 254592.

## Picnic planned

■ DETAILS of Middleton Cheney's Jubilee celebrations have been announced. There will be a picnic at the sports and social club in Main Road on Bank Holiday Monday, from 3pm. The event will also include tug of war, food, remote-control car racing and barbecue from 8pm. A beacon will also be lit at 10.15pm to honour The Queen's 60 years on the throne. Some 4,000 will be lit across the UK.

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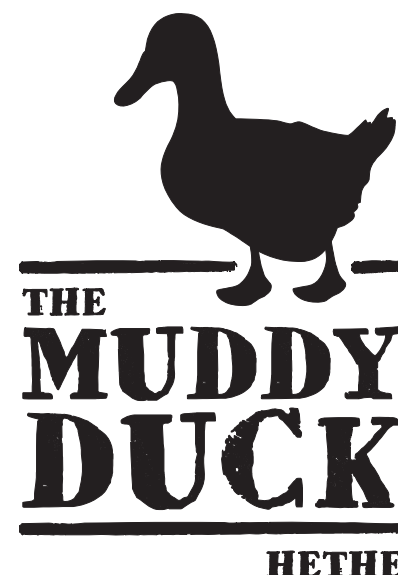
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# Fun time for local teens

■ Free activities offered to 105 youngsters

By Samantha McGregor

**TEENAGERS across the county are being urged to sign up for free rock-climbing, surfing and gorge-walking this summer.**

Organised by Oxfordshire County Council, as part of the Government's National Citizen Service, the free course has 105 places up for grabs for the county's 16- and 17-year-olds.

Last year 8,000 youngsters from across England took part in the scheme, which focuses on personal and social development.

Among the events is a host of outdoor activities at a residential adventure camp, and music, performance and arts days.

Called Summer Challenge, the scheme runs for five weeks from Thursday, July 26, and activities are designed to challenge participants, teach them new skills, encourage them to make new friends and bring out the best in them.

Ryan Johnson, NCS co-ordinator for Oxfordshire County Council, said: "The idea is to bring young people from different

backgrounds together to meet new people, challenge themselves and to try out new things, while giving them the opportunity to make a difference in their own communities and, most importantly, have fun.

"The Summer Challenge is a voluntary programme and is open to anyone who will be 16 or 17 by Friday, August 31, 2012.

"Once participants have registered an interest, programme representatives will be in touch to discuss the scheme in more detail.

"There are 105 places in Oxfordshire up for grabs.

"I would encourage people to sign up as soon as possible to avoid disappointment. It is a great initiative."

The programme starts on July 26 with laser gaming and high ropes, followed by five days away at an adventure residential centre. Then, from Monday, August 6, until August 24, young people can get involved

with a subject they are passionate about – such as music or art.

Finally, on August 28, the group will go on a residential trip and will put together a presentation for family and friends.

Two Oxfordshire teenagers who took part in last year's event were Suleiman Ahmed and Kiran Dhinra-Smith.

Suleiman said: "I gained a lot from my NCS experience. I have made friends and feel like a valuable member of my community."

Kiran added: "For my community project I taught basketball to local kids. It was great to give something back."

Leaflets are available in schools and the county council's early intervention hubs.

Details: call the Summer Challenge team on 01865 896282/ 815870 or email [annette.richards@oxfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:annette.richards@oxfordshire.gov.uk) or [ryan.johnson@oxfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:ryan.johnson@oxfordshire.gov.uk)



## School in 'special measures'

A BANBURY primary school has been placed into special measures after a critical report by inspectors.

The Grange Primary School, in Avocet Way, was told children made inadequate progress in reading, writing and mathematics following an Ofsted inspection in March, the results of which have just been made public.

Inspector Sonja Joseph said: "Too much teaching is inadequate and not enough is 'good' or 'better'."

"Assessment information is not used effectively enough to secure an accurate view of pupils' current attainment."

Phonics were not always taught rigorously or accurately, and the curriculum was inadequate, failing to develop children's basic literacy and numeracy skills.

Ms Joseph added: "The leadership of teaching and management of performance

have not been consistently effective or appropriately focused. A lack of direction by senior leaders has contributed to a decline in standards."

When the inspection took place, headteacher Glyn Roberts was on long-term sick leave.

Deputy headteacher Jude Barratt has stepped in as acting headteacher.

In a joint statement with chairman of governors Keith Cook she said: "Good progress is already being made to implement the necessary improvements, with staff having already received training in phonics, effective marking and feedback.

"Our primary aim is to enhance our pupils' learning experiences and enable them to achieve their full potential.

"The Grange looks forward to this exciting period of school development under fresh and highly motivated leadership."

## Railway rubbish is cleared

PILES of rubbish, which greeted commuters at Banbury train station, have finally been cleaned up – despite bosses not knowing who owns the land.

The Banbury Cake reported on complaints about the waste – on the banks of the River Cherwell immediately before the station – in March.

Now, staff from Cherwell District Council and the Environment Agency have cleared up the waste, despite failing to find the landowner.

A council spokesman said: "As it has been difficult to establish who owns the land, a joint approach was adopted."

Contractors were also brought in to remove chewing gum from Banbury's streets.

Nigel Morris, the council's lead member for clean and green, said: "Dealing with litter is everyone's responsibility."

"Every time we ask residents what their priorities are, tackling litter tops the bill."

For help to carry out your own litter pick, email [customer.service@cherwell-dc.gov.uk](mailto:customer.service@cherwell-dc.gov.uk) or call 01295 227007.



SARA Thornton, the Chief Constable of Thames Valley Police, is believed to be a front runner to become Her Majesty's new Chief Inspector of Constabulary.

Sir Denis O'Connor will retire on July 31 as HM Chief Inspector of Constabulary after more than three years in the role.

The Thames Valley force

would need a new chief constable if Ms Thornton was successful and decided to take up the new role.

The website [policeoracle.com](http://policeoracle.com), which monitors police news in the UK, believes Ms Thornton is one of three leading contenders for the new role.

Ms Thornton was unavailable for comment.

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■ Sources of revenue in doubt for domestic violence advice service

# Funding crisis faced by anti-abuse guardians

By Oliver Evans

**BOSSES at a domestic violence charity – which helps the county's most at-risk women – are fearing for its future because of funding concerns.**

Since 2008, the Independent Domestic Violence Advisory Service has helped 160 women a year.

But some of its funding, from next April, will be in the hands of new, controversial police and crime commissioners. These new police chiefs will be elected in November.

This has raised uncertainty about whether cash will continue to be allocated, as the Ministry of Justice said the new police chiefs would be in charge of the police budget and would prioritise such services.

Other sources of revenue – from the probation service and other councils – are also in doubt.

This year, the service got £40,000 from the Home Office, £55,000 from Oxfordshire County Council, £10,000 from the probation service and £500 from Oxford City Council. Another £30,000 came from

other sources, like fundraising. But it is still £20,000 short of its £155,000 running costs for this financial year.

While The Home Office said it would continue to put in £40,000 a year until April 2015, others gave no assurances.

The county-based charity employs four workers, who support women and guide them through the often stressful ordeal of police and court action.

Service chairman Romy Briant said: "We are uncertain about our funding for next year, so our future is unclear."

She said the charity had "set the standard" for dealing with high-risk cases and many police and councils saw it as an "essential service".

Mrs Briant said: "We are able to work closely with people at very high risk of abuse and build trust, to ensure they can be confident and safeguarded."

Service manager Patricia Walsh said the service "was in danger of closing next year due to lack of money".

Thames Valley Police's Det Insp Dick Meadows said: "They are an intrinsic part of how we deal with

domestic abuse in a multi-agency way. We would be concerned if they weren't there."

A county council spokesman said: "Decisions about future funding for specific services, such as the Domestic Violence Advisory Service, would rest with the new Thames Valley Police commissioner."

Thames Valley Probation Service acting chief executive Paul Gillbard said finances were "very difficult".

He said it would fund domestic violence services "but cannot at this stage guarantee any individual contribution".

Ministry of Justice spokesman Sue Colley said the police commissioners would have to keep "these types of services in their area as a priority".

● Thames Valley Police has reminded people about how they can report domestic abuse as part of its campaign called "Speak Out Today". It urges friends, relatives and colleagues, who suspect someone they know is suffering from domestic abuse, not to wait for the victim to speak out.

Go to: [speakouttoday.co.uk](http://speakouttoday.co.uk)



Independent Domestic Violence Advisory Service chairman Romy Briant

## InBRIEF

### Armed Forces Day details

■ DETAILS of how Banbury will mark Armed Forces Day on Saturday, June 30, have been announced. A parade will leave Market Place at 11.30am and go up the Street, left into Horseshair, around Banbury Cross and down the High Street, where mayor Tony Illott will take the salute. The parade will be dismissed at Broad Street and displays and stands will be by the town hall in Bridge Street from 9.30am to 2.30pm.

### Arts award

■ A LOCAL school has received an Artsmark award for its work encouraging pupils to reach their potential through art. The honour fell to Hanwell Fields Community School in Banbury.

### Floral debate

■ PLANS to replace two brick planters of flowers in Banbury are to go on display this week. Residents are being sent a consultation letters on the plans for the planters, at the junction of East Street and North Street, by Banbury Town Council. The plans will be on show at Grimsbury Community Hall, today, from 2pm to 5pm.

## Films that focus on relationships

IT'S good to talk, according to marriage guidance counsellors, even if couples can only manage a Tweet instead of a face-to-face conversation.

And Relate Oxfordshire, which has a branch in Banbury, has launched a film festival called *Love in the Time of Twitter*.

Young film-makers, and experienced directors, are being urged to submit films reflecting the recent revolution in social networking and the impact it has on relationships.

Relate Oxfordshire trustee Sue Trevor-Wilson, 69, said: "People from any walk of life can experience relationship

problems when communication breaks down.

"But a Tweet or a text could be a way forward if people aren't ready for a face-to-face meeting.

"Social networking sites can be a positive thing if couples have a long-distance relationship and they can stay in touch regularly on Facebook or Twitter.

"Advice sessions can cost £40, and as Relate Oxfordshire wants to support anyone in need, regardless of their ability to pay, the proceeds of this film competition will help pay for extra advice sessions.

"People communicate in different ways these days but you could say that social networking sites have freed up relationships and made them more flexible."

Ms Trevor-Wilson added that Relate Oxfordshire wants the film competition to become an annual event.

She added: "We need to be able to offer our service free to people who can not pay and the film festival will help to pay for that.

"The films can be between two and 20 minutes long. Anyone can make a short film, from film students to experienced film-makers. We want to communicate what we do in a fun way to a wider audience."

● The deadline for submissions for the Short Film competition is July 30. Screening and judging of shortlisted films will take place at Chipping Norton Theatre on Friday, October 12.

Details: [relatefilmfestival.org.uk](http://relatefilmfestival.org.uk)

Relate trustee Sue Trevor-Wilson



## Mental health initiative improves support

YOUNG people with mental health issues in Oxfordshire will receive more support as a result of a major new initiative.

Oxford Health NHS Foundation Trust will be helping to train clinicians to provide therapies that address depression, anxiety and other behavioural problems.

Dubbed Children and Adolescent Mental Health Services, Improving Access to Psychological Therapies, the scheme has seen young service users interview clinicians.

Yvonne Taylor, director of Oxford Health NHS Foundation Trust's children and families division, said: "We are delighted to officially

launch our IAPT, which aims to transform our existing services by adopting elements of the adult programme.

"Close collaboration between the therapist and young person is a key element of this approach. Young people are also pivotal in shaping our services."

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## From publican to stand-up

**Underachievers, look away now. Comedian, columnist, actress, playwright, blogger, best-selling author, painter... Janey Godley's list of credits is enough to make your head spin. And she's good at all of it.**

I catch her on the hop from a New Zealand tour ahead of her rip-roaring return to The Mill tonight.

Does she ever relax: "Well, aye, who does when they're self-employed and living through a recession?"

"As for having many talents, well, I always think if you're a performer, you can probably paint, you can probably cut hair. If you're a creative type, you can probably turn your hands to most things."

"Come to think of it, I'll get some flooring done later..." she says.

But, I persist, don't you get knackered? "Nah. Comedians don't work during the day. I mean, these days we don't know the meaning of the words 'hard work' do we? Our parents' day it was a day down the mine or at the factory. And, I tell you what, compared to my days running the pub with a baby, this is a piece of p\*\*\*!" she adds gleefully.

Janey is referring to her days running a Glasgow boozer which is the subject of several shards of writing on her website and the place where she sharpened her wit.

"I made a lot of punters laugh when I was behind the bar but I also came from a funny family – we always laughed at dark things."

By Liz Nicholls

"But, and I was talking to Billy Connolly about this, it is the Scots' way. If your dad's just died, the English come up and say 'I'm sorry'. The Scots will be straight up to ask: what size shoes did he wear?"

Janey, a regular on Radio 4's *Just A Minute*, won three five-star reviews with her Edinburgh Fringe show *Godley's World*. A magnet for awards for her after-dinner speaking and global stand-up, Janey's show *The Godley Hour* is recommended for ages 14 and above.

"Ahh, I'd say 16 and over," she says. "I do like to swear – what comic doesn't?"

And, in true swearsy and hilarious style, she racks her brain for a few examples of those TV-friendly comics who don't swear on stage.

"So, if you're easily offended, don't come to my show. Don't step out the house in fact!"

"I find it funny people are 'offended' by my shows – well, they're not. I've never had anyone tell me that they've been offended – only journalists say it's offensive."

"I'll give you a few things to be offended by. The human rights situation in China. Soldiers coming back from Afghanistan being left to fend for themselves. Injustice just drives me mad!"

A quick flick through Janey's columns for the *The Scotsman* on

topics from hymenoplasty to homelessness shows she is no stranger to tackling big issues.

And she is also unlikely ever to run out of material since she turned her own life into a best-selling autobiography – *Handstands In The Dark* – published in 2004. A tale of murder, child abuse and gangsters, the book won a place on bestseller lists and rave reviews – *The Observer* said it made the McCourt family look like the Von Trapps.

"But I don't think had a bad childhood – even though I was abused," she says.

"Looking back on it, I had a bonny childhood, playing outside as kids did then, before health and safety stopped all that."

"Other experiences in my life – such as playing in [Glenochil high-security] women's prison, really show you the true picture."

"You think you've had a crap life? Talk to these girls. You've had it easy."

Janey's enthusiasm is infectious, which is clearly why her daughter Ashley, another polymath, has joined her to make a series of podcasts, attracting 100,000 hits.

A force to be reckoned with, catch Janey's show before she gets whisked away to the USA.

■ Janey Godley's *The Godley Hour* returns to The Mill Theatre, Spiceball Park, Banbury, tonight. Call the box office on 01295 279002.

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## An adult and addictive show

■ Jeff Leach, 27, recovering drink, drug and sex addict, and comic makes his debut at Banbury's Mill tomorrow. Fresh from his other job fronting the National Lottery and EuroMillions draws, he promises to bring his revealing, hilarious and sometimes surprising adult comedy show, *Confessions of a Sex Addict*.

Leach first went on stage at the age of four, was a popular radio presenter at university, has performed with the Royal Shakespeare Company, been a DJ and been subject of a documentary for BBC TV.

"As much as I'm a sex addict I'm also addicted to love," he says. "I'm a hopeless romantic who has spread himself rather widely."

"People said 'maybe you're just sowing your wild oats', which would make my oats wilder than



Bear Grylls having a s\*\*\* on a rattlesnake," he said.

"It's a disease of the mind – I'm an addict. I realised if I want to

achieve my goals I need to be my own master – not a slave."

"In the media, sex addiction is often used as an excuse for sportsmen or film stars who have been caught cheating."

"I've been sober since February 2011. When things stop being enjoyable, I know it's time to give them up. Drugs were a big part of my life until I ended up depressed. The last thing to tackle was the sex – I'll never achieve what I want if I'm not in control of myself."

*The Daily Mail* described him as a 'black-clad Svengali-esque orchestrator of a mini breakdown' while *Time Out* recommended him highly as 'truly entertaining'.

The show is suitable for over-18s.

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Thoughtful Oxford female, 41, 5', medium-build, fair-hair, blue-eyes, smoker, likes swimming, holidays, pubs and meals out, seeks a genuine male for friendship. Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 122427 or send a text to 80360

## ENJOY AND SHARE LIFE

Curvy, outgoing Oxford female, 42, 5'8", works in health care, enjoys meals out, the outdoors and family life, would like to meet a man, to share good times with me. Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 123624

## NOTHING MORE TO ASK FOR

44yr old short haired lady, medium build, Wallingford based, loves family life, animals, keeping fit, gardening, cooking, driving, seeks honest, caring man for tlc. Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 107602

## STARTING FRESH

Separated, caring Witney woman, 44, honest, GSOH, trustworthy, enjoys family life, swimming, music, theatre, cinema and walks, seeking a similar man, kind and sincere, for dates & laughter. Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 116588 or send a text to 80360

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## LOTS OF FUN

Blonde, cuddly female, 48, 5ft, pastry chef, with children, searching for a youthful chap, to share life with. Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 113078 or send a text to 80360

## START LIVING AGAIN

Friendly, fun Oxfordshire divorced mum, 50, grown up children, looking for love again and someone to share life with. Is the right man out there for me? Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 798804

## CARELESS WHISPER

Caring Oxford lady, 50, likes travel, walks and more, searching for a nice, non-smoking man, 59-65, for companionship. Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 120248 or send a text to 80360

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Oxford widow, 56, 5'3", blue-eyes, works full-times, enjoys socialising, walking my dogs, theatre, eating out & family life, seeking a decent man, to enjoy life with. Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 123053 or send a text to 80360

## REAL FRIENDSHIP

I'm a non-smoking Oxford widow, 56, works full-time, non-driver, varied interest, seeking an active chap, for company. Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 123050

## FIRENDS FIRST

Intelligent, attractive Wiltshire female, 56, widow, brunette, 5'2", likes radio 4, reading, travel, art galleries and gym, new to area and seeking a similar guy, GSOH, for company and more. Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 124892 or send a text to 80360

## MEANINGFUL TIMES

Active, outgoing Trowbridge female, 56, loves cinema, seaside, travelling and animals, would like to meet a man for company leading to a possible relationship. Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 117215 or send a text to 80360

TIME TO START AFRESH Black, caring, African Epsom lady, 5'2", likes countryside, gardening, cooking and holidays, 50-70 for a long term relationship. Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 117888 or send a text to 80360

## JUST THE TWO OF US

Separated, slim, smart, attractive Marlborough lady, mid-50s, young at heart, likes meals out, dogs, cosy times and more, seeking a friend and soul mate, to go ahead with me in life. Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 463351 or send a text to 80360

## SHARE THE JOURNEY

Attractive, outgoing Abingdon female, 57, slim-build, likes cinema, theatre, country walks, would like to meet a honest, fun-loving, caring man, for a possible lasting relationship. Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 123964 or send a text to 80360

## THE LONG TERM

Separated, easygoing Oxon female, 60, likes cooking, evenings in/out and much more, seeks friendly male, to enjoy life with. Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 100451

## GENUINE AND CARING

Oxfordshire widow, 60, 5'6", slender build, sociable, caring and well-travelled, searching for a genuine, professional guy, non-smoker, for friendship, maybe lasting love. Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 466487

## OVER THE MOON

Oxfordshire widow, 60, 5'6", slender, dark hair, sociable and caring, well-travelled and attractive, seeking a guy who is caring, professional and considerate. Could you be the one? Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 467516

## LISTEN TO YOUR HEART

Happy go lucky Warmminster female, 61, looking for a nice kind and reliable man to share good times together and more. Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 120544 or send a text to 80360

## STRICTLY BALLROOM

Dance-loving lady, 61, 5'6", searching for a man, 5'10", N/S, who can jive, for friendship and ballroom dancing. Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 111203

## KNOW WHAT MATTERS

Upbeat, cultured, sophisticated Banbury lady, 62, own house and car, likes swimming and wondering about the countryside, would like to meet an up-lifting man, to fill in the gaps. Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 123403 or send a text to 80360

## HAPPY AT LAST

From earth to earth Witney male, 62, fair-hair, slim-build, likes classical music, theatre, walking and the countryside, seeking a similar gent to enjoy good company with. Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 122557 or send a text to 80360

## FINALLY FOUND YOU

Friendly, attractive, petite Wantage lady, 62, enjoys the arts, history, music and places of interest, looking for that special man, to enjoy life with. Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 123293

## CHATS OVER A PINT?

Country woman looking to meet a loving, dark haired, slim man. I'm 63yrs old, 5'7", slim and fit, love being outside, walking and gardening. Marlborough/Wiltshire Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 112241 or send a text to 80360

POSSIBLE RELATIONSHIP Part-time language teacher from Kidlington, 63, widow, likes walking, gardening, places of interest, dancing, seeking a chatty man for conversations and to laugh together. Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 115447 or send a text to 80360

## EACH DAY IS A NEW ONE

Blue-eyed Oxfordshire widow, 64, loves walks, reading, films, gardening and family life, searching for a nice gent, to share a warm and lasting relationship. Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 105525

## NEW IN TOWN

Easygoing, slim woman, 65, 5'6", blonde, likes jazz, live shows, reading and walks, seeks down-2-earth male, for genuine friendship and more. Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 100721

## LEADING TO MORE?

Genuine, happy Banbury woman, 66, GSOH, retired, widow, enjoys, cats, cinema, theatre, visiting places, meals out, gardening, holidays, diy and dancing, with a male companion, caring and honest. Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 121137 or send a text to 80360

## ALL FOR EACH OTHER

Tactile Calne widow, 70, enjoys nights out, cooking, animals, holidays when possible, would love to meet a male who wants companionship and maybe more. Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 120683 or send a text to 80360

## ADVENTURE AHEAD

Warm, friendly Witney woman, 70, GSOH, youthful, attractive, likes dancing, walking, music, theatre, reading and meals out, seeking a tall, active and fun gentleman, for company and more. Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 123234 or send a text to 80360

## JOURNEY OF A LIFETIME

Intelligent, elegant, and warm hearted lady, early 80s, looking to meet a like-minded, successful companion who enjoys cultural activities, keeping active and trying new things. Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 121812

Men seeking women

## HOPING TO MEET YOU

Kind, caring Hentley guy, 50, easy to talk to and always up for a laugh, looking for someone special, who is honest, kind and chatty, to enjoy life with. Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 124455 or send a text to 80360

## WE COULD BE GOOD TOGETHER

From earth to earth Swindon male, 36, enjoys cycling, walks, travel and lots more, seeks laid back female, for good times and more. Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 100773 or send a text to 80360

## TIME TO SHARE

Lively Oxford male, 38, 5'10", med build, enjoys motorbikes, clubs, cinema, meals and more, searching for a loving woman, to share friendship and more. Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 117999 or send a text to 80360

## COUPLE UP WITH ME

Tall & athletic guy, 39, likes eating out, socialising with friends, seeks outgoing female, 28-45 for friendship & romance. Oxford. Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 104825

THAT WONDERFUL FEELING Laid back, sporty Woodstock male, 41, likes family life, nights in & out, having a laugh, seeks warm hearted easygoing female, for good company Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 114209 or send a text to 80360

## SOMEONE TO CLICK WITH

Honest, genuine N/S guy, 43, 6'1", medium build, no ties, lives in Swindon, likes theatre, bowling, meals out, seeks single female, for tlc. Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 107035

## THERE FOR EACH OTHER

Affectionate, open chap, 44, short brown hair, looking for a nice female, someone to spend days out, nights in, holidays & quality times together. Oxford Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 105173

## ROMANCE IS ALIVE

Happy go lucky male, 45, no-ties, likes walking my dog, gardening, watching football and meals out, seeking an easygoing female, 40-50, for friendship and romance. Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 124415 or send a text to 80360

## LIFE IS MADE FOR TWO

Happy, active Abingdon man, 46, GSOH, med build, positive, enjoys walking, swimming and cinema, would like to meet a similar lady, 50-75, fit and positive, for friendship and maybe more. Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 114348 or send a text to 80360

## IT'S NOT UNUSUAL

Friendly Witney male, 47, 6', blue eyes, enjoys sports, music, cosy nights in, going out and having a laugh, would like to meet a female friend, for good company and laughter. Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 115039 or send a text to 80360

## LOVE TO HAVE A LAUGH

Hardworking Oxford male, 49, 5'7", brown hair, own flat, likes socialising, cooking, nights in, seeks nice young lady for friendship leading to more. Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 121027 or send a text to 80360

## TIME FOR A CHANGE

Easygoing, active Kidlington male, 50, likes meals out, cinema, country walks and all the things couples do together, looking for that special female, to spend some quality time with. Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 114479 or send a text to 80360

## TAKE A TRIP WITH ME

Open minded Oxford guy, 50, likes all kinds of music, reading, visiting galleries, going to the cinema, eating out, walking and good conversation, with a female to share good times with. Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 115321 or send a text to 80360

## NOT TO BE MISSED

Spontaneous, caring, hard-working Oxford guy, 53, likes music, cooking, live bands, good wine and F1, would like to meet a simple woman, to share life with. Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 115773 or send a text to 80360

## LOADS OF LOVE TO GIVE

Affectionate Wallingford male, 54, 5'8", enjoys country walks, walking my dogs, swimming, cinema, would like to meet a nice lady to share my life with. Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 122616 or send a text to 80360

## A FUTURE FILLED WITH

LAUGHTER Divorced, young at heart, male, 55, own house in Oxford, likes cinema, theatre and clubs, seeks caring female for happy times and more. Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 107632

MAKING IT HAPPEN Laid-back male, 56, 5'7", muscular build, looking for a fun female, 40-60, for fun, laughter & more. Reading. Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 104111

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More than 30 years after Ridley Scott proved that in space, everyone can hear you scream – loudly – the Oscar-nominated director returns to the science-fiction genre and the ultimate deep space killing machine: Alien.

*Prometheus* (15) is a prequel of sorts, offering tantalising clues to the origins of the acid-blooded predator and the human race.

In the late 21st century, the Weyland-Yutani Corporation finances an archaeological dig led by Meredith Vickers (Charlize Theron) to uncover the secrets of an alien race known as the Engineers.

Vickers recruits astrophysicist Dr Elizabeth Shaw (Noomi Rapace), xenarchaeologist Dr Theo Zedmore (Guy Pearce) and fellow astrophysicist (Ben Foster) to lead the mission and they discover vital information plotting the location of the Engineers' home planet.

Determined to learn about these omnipotent creatures, Vickers spearheads a mission to the far-off solar system.

A spaceship called *Prometheus* captained by Jeremiah Janek (Idris Elba) provides the transport and Vickers bolsters the crew with top men and women in their fields including medical officer Fifield



(Sean Harris) and engineer Yuri (Rafe Spall).

Operations android David 4.0 (Michael Fassbender) keeps a dispassionate eye on proceedings but as the party touches down on

the Engineers' home world, they are woefully unprepared for the horrors that await them.

*Prometheus* also screens in 3D and IMAX 3D, providing a truly immersive experience.



## Win tickets

JUST so you feel like you really are at the movies, the *Banbury Cake* and Odeon Cinema Banbury have teamed up to offer you the chance to catch up on the latest action blockbusters, sci-fi epics and family favourites.

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And this week, we're offering a pair of tickets to see *Prometheus*, or any other film, showing at the Odeon cinema in Horse Fair.

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## CakeWhat's on

### Music

#### FRIDAY

**GF Club, Spiceball Park Road, Banbury:** Tony Doyle. 9pm. £1. 01295 252852.

**Muskateer, Ruscot Avenue, Banbury:** Loose Covers - a four-piece rock covers band. Free. 9pm. 01295 269296.

#### SATURDAY

**GF Club, Spiceball Park Road, Banbury:** Lee Malvern 4. 9pm. £1. 01295 252852.

**St Leonard's Church, Middleton Road, Grimsbury, Banbury:** Jubilee Churches Festival - Revival in the Land. At the end of Jubilee Churches Festival Week, Academy 8 will be performing. 7pm. Free. 01295 264790 and 01295 262077.

### Cinema

**Odeon, Horsefair, Banbury:** *Prometheus*, 15, (3-D), Sat-Thu 12pm\*, daily 3\*, 6\*, 9pm\*, Fri-Mon 10.30pm. Men In Black, III, PG, Sun-Tue 11.15am, daily 5pm; (3-D), daily 2, 8pm. Senior Screen: The Big Year, PG, Wed 11am, ends 12.55pm. Odeon Kids: Journey 2 - The Mysterious Island, PG, Sat programme 11am, ends 1.04pm.

(NB: cinema may refuse admission to guests arriving after the feature has started.) Box office: 0871 224 4007.

**The Theatre, 2 Spring Street, Chipping Norton:** Salmon Fishing In The Yemen, 12A, Tue-Wed 7.30pm. Box office: 01608 642350 (Mon-Fri 10-6pm, Sat 10-2pm). \* Indicates wheelchair access

### Theatre

**Mill Arts Centre, Spiceball Park, Banbury:** May 31, Janey Godley. Author, playwright, stand-up. £12, concession £10. 7.30pm.

Jun 1, Jeff Leach, *Confessions of a Sex Addict*. 8pm. £12.

Jun 2, Jubilee Rocks with local band The Scholars. 8pm. £7, adv £5.

Jun 3, Acoustic Jubilee. 7pm. £7, adv £5.

Box office: 01295 279002.

**The Theatre, Spring Street, Chipping Norton:** May 26, *Treasure Island*. £13, concession £11, schools £8.50. 3pm. May 31, *Love On The Tracks*. £13, concession £11. 7.45pm. Jun 1, Buddy Holly and the Cricketers. 7.45pm. Box office: 01608 642350.

### Events

**SUNDAY: Town Festival:** Town Square, High Street, Chipping Norton. Special Jubilee theme. Live music, children's fairground rides, face painting, vintage car display, food stalls, raffle and

tombola prizes. Be part of Eden Project's 'Big Lunch'. Highlights include Ric Sanders (Fairport Convention), classical harpist David Watkins and guitarist Craig Ogden and featuring Oxfordshire's Dance a La Plage. From 11am onwards.

**Jubilee events:** Cogges Farm, Church Lane, Witney. Sat-Tue. Celebrate the Queen's Jubilee with old fashioned fun and nostalgia. Try an egg and spoon race, show off your dog at the Family Dog Show and enjoy other traditional fete activities. 10-5pm. Admission £5, child £3. 01993 772602.

**BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY:**

**Jubilee celebrations:** Blenheim Palace, Woodstock. Bunbury's Celebrity Cricket Match and 'Afternoon Tea' today. 10.30am-5.30pm. Grounds admission £11.50, concession £8.50, 5-16s £6, under-5s free family £30. 0800 849 6500 and 01993 811091.

**Lord Mayor's Jubilee Party:** Gloucester Green, Oxford. An annual celebration of the mayor making, combined with a '1950s then and now' Jubilee party to celebrate the Queen! Live music, stalls, performances and much more. Come with best decorated pram, buggy, bike or hat; prizes to be won! 12-6pm. 01865 252357.

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## Banbury let it fall at the last

BANBURY threw away a winning position and agonisingly lost by one run in their titanic Division 1 top-of-table battle at High Wycombe on Saturday.

Chasing Wycombe's formidable total of 275-9, Banbury were bowled out for 274, with more than five overs left.

This followed a brilliant spell of left-arm spin bowling from Banbury's Luke Ryan, who captured 8-96, and yet still finished on the losing side.

Banbury appeared to be heading for certain victory when they stood at 273-7, needing just three to win with three wickets standing.

Ian Hawtin and Ollie Wright were then dismissed as the score progressed to 274-9.

Three balls later, No 11 Josh Megson was out stumped and Banbury had lost.

Because both sides had bowled their overs so quickly, there would have been an additional four overs at the end of the day. So it is Wycombe –

and not Banbury – who lead the table.

Batting first, Wycombe sped to 275-9 from 66 overs thanks to half-centuries from Alan Duncan (72) and Nick Robinson (50).

After Ollie Wright took the first Wycombe wicket, Ryan then took centre stage, picking up the next eight wickets to fall in his 25 overs.

Banbury's reply seemed well on course thanks to fine innings from Lloyd Sabin (68) and Nathan Hawkes (61).

But then with victory firmly in their grasps they let it slip.

### STANDINGS

Division 1									
	P	W	D	L	A	B	Pts		
H Wycombe	3	2	1	0	0	12	65		
Harpenden	3	2	1	0	0	6	59		
<b>Banbury</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>58</b>		
Tring Park	3	2	0	1	0	4	54		
Henley	3	1	1	1	0	12	40		
Welwyn G	3	1	0	1	1	8	39		
Burnham	3	1	0	2	0	11	36		
Potters Bar	3	1	0	1	1	3	34		
B Stortford	3	0	1	2	0	23	26		
<b>Oxford</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>16</b>		



Banbury's spin king Luke Ryan took eight wickets

## STARS with Claire Petulengro

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### ARIES Mar 21-Apr 19

A good time for catching up with paperwork and neglected correspondence. You receive some confirmation for a future plan. Life is about to get interesting again for you my friend. As is love, if you would only say how you feel to the person who has obviously monopolized your thoughts of late. Call me now to hear why it's worth dressing well throughout the month of June.

0906 585 4360

### TAURUS Apr 20-May 20

New ideas you are having about your life at this time are your recipe for success. Don't be afraid to act on impulse. You have the backing of the stars to take chances. You seem to owe someone an apology for something you said or did last week. The sooner you make it, the sooner you can get on with enjoying life again. Call me now to hear why I'm so sure it's worth eating a little humble pie.

0906 585 4361

### GEMINI May 21-Jun 20

This is the month that you start to find out what you are good at in life. You're no longer treading water but you're starting to find out what it is that you excel at, and more importantly, what you enjoy. Do your sums before Thursday though, or you could end up out of pocket and out of pride. Ring me now to hear why you may soon need to brush up on your foreign languages.

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### CANCER Jun 21-Jul 22

Your time seems to be spent worrying about a family member or someone who cannot take care of themselves as well as they used to. Support them and help them but just try to set a time limit that you're willing to stand by, as it's clear from your stars that you have your own life and plans to put your time and energy into. Ring now to hear which signs can, and should help you.

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### LEO Jul 23-Aug 22

Balance has been lacking in your life recently and it's what is needed if you are to get the most from this very dramatic month. You've been believing too much of the advice that others have given you. They've not had any experience in what you want to do. New flirtations link to the workplace. Call me now to hear why, for once, I support mixing business and pleasure.

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### VIRGO Aug 23-Sep 22

Pay extra special attention to the way that you look this week Virgo. You see, you may not realise it but you have already attracted much attention and this is the week which can let those who like all you've said and done into your life, and perhaps your heart. Give me a call now to hear which sign is not the ally in business or love that they first seemed.

0906 585 4365

### LIBRA Sep 23-Oct 22

The planets are behind you to take chances. The only problem Libra is that you're not sure which path is the right one for you. Take my advice and stick to your original game-plan. It has all the makings of success. A clash of personalities this weekend could see you saying something you regret to someone who knows exactly how to rile you. Phone me now to find out about tomorrow today.

0906 585 4366

### SCORPIO Oct 23-Nov 21

New offers and propositions are coming your way and with such speed that you may find it hard to tell the good from the bad. Slow your pace and take in the view. You may not realise it yet, but time is on your side and it's you who can make the final decision, not others. A family drama reaches a pleasing solution thanks to the interference of an older face. Phone me now so I can talk to you.

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### SAGITTARIUS Nov 22-Dec 21

You must not allow yourself to be emotionally manipulated by your close ones Sagittarius. The Sun in Gemini is giving you the social skills to be able to put yourself in, or take yourself out of any situation in which you find yourself. Don't tell tales on Sunday. It can come back on you tenfold if you do. Phone me now to hear which sign can keep that secret you've got to tell.

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### CAPRICORN Dec 22-Jan 19

Education and teaching all come to the fore for you this week. You're starting to see what is possible rather than what you can't do. Gone is the depressive air which made for such an emotional end to May and in its place is a new, more confident Capricorn. The world is your oyster. Enjoy my friend. Give me a call now to better understand that older face you're dealing with.

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### AQUARIUS Jan 20-Feb 18

Upheaval which occurs in the family is going to be making it hard for you to have any time you can call your own. Your friendship circle is widening and is pulling on your coat tails to have fun. Can you reach a happy compromise and please your family and yourself? If you explain your needs on Thursday, then yes Aquarius. Ring me now for some tactics on dealing with difficult close ones.

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### PISCES Feb 19-Mar 20

You've been thinking of making changes. Now the time has come when you can actually make them. You feel as if you have been frozen to the spot. Well, you haven't Pisces. Come on, my friend. Get up dust yourself off and focus on what you want. Anything is possible with the current line up. Phone me now to hear how Neptune promises you an important message in your dreams.

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By Gill Oliver

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fitted kitchen and utility room. The sitting room has French doors leading to the terrace and garden, a multi-fuel burner with Italian marble surround, while there is also a downstairs bedroom overlooking the garden as well as a bathroom.

Upstairs, the master bedroom has a dressing area with built-in cupboards and ensuite shower room and there are two further double bedrooms and a family bathroom.

Outside, there is a garage and a south-facing garden with terracing and lawn.

Meanwhile, Larkrise, in Wroxton, is a charming, Grade II-listed, semi-detached, 18th-century cottage, with many original features which has also

been updated by the current owners.

The sitting room has feature beams, exposed stone walls, an inglenook fireplace with log burner and leaded light windows.

The dining room has a full-height inglenook fireplace.

A conservatory/breakfast room has been added to the rear, along with a utility and cloakroom, while the kitchen has an Aga, limestone floor and integrated appliances.

The first floor has a wealth of character with window seats, beams and original wooden floors. There are four bedrooms.

The garden, which enjoys an elevated position with views over the rooftops, has a vegetable plot. There is



**Honestone House, Great Rollright, is on the market for £499,950**

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**According to the latest Landlord Survey conducted by specialist lender CHL Mortgages, nearly three-quarters (71%) of respondents are positive about the prospects for the buy-to-let market, with only 5% feeling negative.**

The majority of landlords are happy with the size of their portfolio, with 59% planning to sit tight, although almost one-third (31%) intend to acquire more investment properties in the next 12 months.

In terms of actual property transactions over the last 12 months, 17% of respondents said they had bought property, 5% had sold, while 73% of landlords had conducted no transactions.

Regarding ongoing tenant demand for private rental properties,

41% of landlords thought it had improved in the past six months, while 54% felt it was the same. Overall, landlords appear to be confident of a healthy and stable rental market at present.

Maria Lucas, Managing Director of Let Lucas Rental Specialists said "This survey shows the vast majority of landlords remaining optimistic about the buy-to-let market's prospects for the second half of 2012 and beyond, and still regarding the private rental sector as a safe place to invest.

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## Hot tips to spot true cool saloon

By David Duffy

Here's a hot tip if you want to spot the difference between a luxury and a super-luxury saloon — look for some seriously cool seats.

That's cool as in fitted with a fan to draw air through the perforated leather to ensure your derriere remains gently chilled on hot days.

Naturally, those same seats are heated to ensure you also stay warm on a winter's day. It might be a small point, but the attention to detail that manifests itself throughout the cabin's cocoon of comfort, helps to make travel in an XF a thoroughly relaxing and involving grand touring experience.

Most of the car's functions can also be controlled at the touch of a button using Jaguar's interactive voice system, which gives safe, hands-free operation, so whether you want a warm glow from the heated seats, rapid ice clearing from the front and rear screens, or instant demisting from the air conditioning, the XF is all about making life easy.

The most obvious change to the 2012 model is the bold new look to both the front and rear that bring it in line with the flagship XJ. The headlamps now use high-intensity xenon technology that allows them to be much slimmer. They also incorporate LED daytime running lights.

The tail lamps are also new and

use LED-technology for stop, light and indicators, giving the XF a distinctive look in the dark. And now there is no slamming of the boot, as all models have power closure.

But it is the changes under the bonnet that have led to the real advances. The fire-breathing super-charged XFR remains at the top of the range, but a new star is an advanced new 2.2-litre four-cylinder turbo-diesel engine, which comes with a fuel and emissions-saving Intelligent Stop/Start system for the first time in a Jaguar. The engine offers the chance of achieving more than 50mpg.

The test car was powered by 3.0-litre, V6 turbo-diesel, which delivered fuel consumption in the mid-40s, while also giving effortless high-speed cruising and breath-taking acceleration when required.

Some of the fuel efficiency is down the new eight-speed ZF automatic gearbox which adds to the



**TURBOCHARGED:** The test car's engine delivered fuel consumption in the mid-40s while giving effortless high-speed cruising

silky smooth driving experience. Jaguar says the system allows gearchanges to be completed in just 200 milliseconds — four times faster than the average human resting heartbeat — while driver control is given a boost by steering-wheel-mounted paddles.

Oh, and if you really want to be convinced you are in the super-luxury class, see if the steering wheel has a £240 heater fitted. It's a small point, but on an icy winter's day it's another cool little touch that makes the XF easy to warm to.

### Auto facts

**Model:** Jaguar XF 3.0L Diesel S Portfolio  
**Price:** £49,100  
**Insurance group:** 46 (1-50)  
**Fuel consumption (Combined):** 44.8mpg  
**Top speed:** 155mph  
**Length:** 496.1cm/195.3in  
**Width:** 187.7cm/73.8in  
**Luggage capacity:** 17.6 cu ft  
**Fuel tank capacity:** 15.2 galls/69.5l  
**CO<sub>2</sub> emissions:** 169g/km  
**Warranty:** 3 years/unlimited mileage

## Usedcarscene

### Increases in used cars 'taken edge off prices'

AN INCREASE in the number of used cars coming into the market has "taken the edge off prices" and calmed some corners of the industry, according to CAP.

A greater influx of part-exchange cars arriving at dealers is partly responsible, and with many franchised dealers focusing for the time being on selling those vehicles, competition to acquire stock on the open market has decreased.

CAP reports that the pressure has been lifted on some dealers who

had become frustrated at how expensive it was becoming to source cars at fair prices.

However, the slight dip in used car prices is not expected to threaten the medium- to long-term stability of the market.

CAP's Mike Hind said: "A year ago the increase in volume was much more of a cause for concern because it was largely driven by dealer self-registrations.

"This was due to severe weakness in the new car market and it meant a sudden and large influx of late plate cars into the mar-

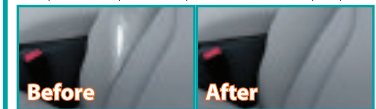
ket. This time more of the new car sales in March represented genuine business and the fact that there are around 15,000 fewer 0 to 12-month-old cars advertised for sale at present than a year ago is evidence for that.

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■ THE Nissan Juke-R, which Nissan had originally said would not be built, is going to be produced for select customers on a build-to-order basis. The 480-bhp concept car was filmed racing against supercars in Dubai, and the media fallout has seen Nissan receive three genuine offers from would-be customers — enough for the company to build a very limited run with even more power than the concept. They will be delivered late in the summer. Anyone wishing to register an interest should contact Juke-R@Nissan.co.uk

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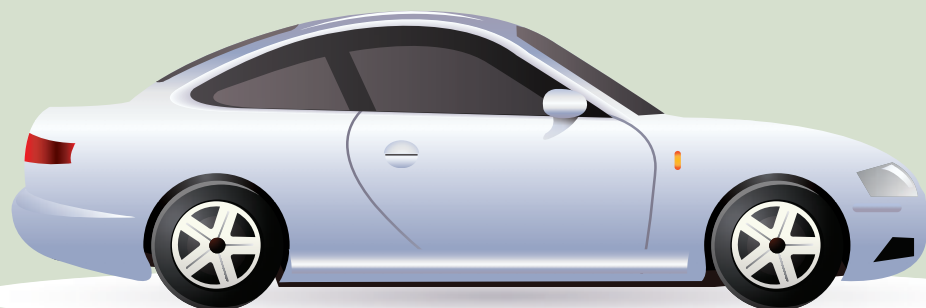
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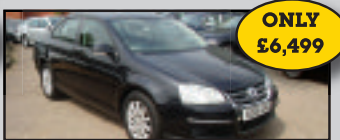
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